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Social Assistance Review Board

Fiscal Year 1981-1982

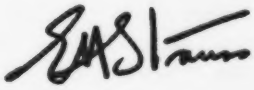
Ontario Social Assistance Review Board

Letter of Transmittal

The Honourable Frank Drea
Minister of Community and Social Services

Sir:

I am pleased to present the 13th Annual Report of the Social Assistance Review Board, covering the fiscal year ending March 31, 1982.



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August, 1982

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as of March 31, 1982

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Introduction & Background

The first appointments to the Social Assistance Review Board were made on January 1, 1969 and the Board heard the first appeals in April of that year. Therefore it has now completed thirteen years of operation.

The Board (also referred to as "the Board of Review") continues to operate under the provisions of Sections 11 to 13 of The Ministry of Community & Social Services Act(RSO 1980, c.273 as amended) and the Regulations made under that Act. It also functions in accordance with the provisions for appeal procedures stipulated in The Family Benefits Act (RSO 1980, c.151 sections 13 to 15), The General Welfare Assistance Act (RSO 1980, c.188 s.11) and The Vocational Rehabilitation Services Act (RSO 1980, c.525 s.10) and the relevant Regulations made under these Acts.

Appeals may also be addressed to the Social Assistance Review Board regarding co-payments for chronic care services which are provided for under The Health Insurance Act (RSO 1980, c.197). However, such appeals have been very infrequent. From the fiscal year 1974-75 and to and including part of 1981-82 the Board was empowered to hear appeals under The Ontario Guaranteed Annual Income Act (RSO 1980, c.366). Responsibility was reassigned to the Ministry of Revenue by a legislative amendment which came into effect on November 19, 1981. No cases had been appealed to the Social Assistance Review Board in respect of the GAINS programs since before April 1, 1980.

As a "tribunal" within the meaning of The Statutory Powers Procedure Act (RSO 1980, c.484), the Social Assistance Review Board operates according to the provisions of that Act. For practical reasons a statutory exemption applies to the Board's discretionary authority to order iterim assistance which may be paid to an appellant pending the outcome of an appeal before the Board.

It is the function of the Social Assistance Review Board to determine independently on written appeal whether the circumstances of an appellant at the time of a social assistance administrator's decision justified that decision. The Board has no investigative powers and can therefore make a decision based only on the evidence presented for a hearing by the parties to the appeal.

The parties to the appeal are notified of the hearing as required by legislation and are invited to attend and/or to be represented and to make such submissions orally or in writing as they wish. A written submission or report from either party is prima facie evidence before the Board.

The parties are alerted to the fact that a hearing may proceed in their absence, but the Board usually agrees to reschedule a hearing if notified in advance of the inability of an appellant or other key participant to attend at the stipulated time. Hearings are held in the locality or vicinity in which the appellant resides and frequently in the appellant's home when circumstances warrant special arrangements.

Each hearing is conducted by one or more members of the Board so authorized by the Chairman of the Board under subsection 11(6) of The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act. Hearings must be held in private (Section 12). They are conducted in an informal manner, subject to certan standard practices designed to ensure fairness and consistency and to promote a clear understanding of the process and procedures by people unfamiliar with them.

The Board renders its decisions and the reasons for such decision in writing. Pursuant to sub-section 14(6) of The Family Benefits Act (and other Acts referring back to that Section) the Board may after a hearing

"14(6).... (a) affirm the decision;

(b) rescind the decision and direct the Director to make any other decision that the Director is authorized to make under this Act and the regulations and as the board considers proper, and for such purpose the board may substitute its opinion for the opinion of the director; or

(c) refer the matter back to the Director for reconsideration in accordance with such directions as the board considers proper under this act and the regulations".

A decision of the Board may be further appealed either by requesting reconsideration by the Board itself or, when it is not a question of fact alone, by appeal to the Divisional Court of the Supreme Court of Ontario.

All appeals including the original request for a hearing by the Social Assistance Review Board must be initiated in the appropriate form within the time limit specified in the relevant legislation.

Members are appointed to the Board by Order-in-Council for 3-year terms and are from various parts of the Province.

Except as required by law and subject to the essential requirements of accountability for the prudent and legal expenditure of public funds, the Social Assistance Review Board operates as an independent and quasi-judicial body but reports to the Legislature through the Minister of Community and Social Services. The Board retains independent legal counsel.

The achievements of the Social Assistance Review Board during the fiscal year 1981-82 are to the credit of its former chairman, Mr. M.Borczak who retired from the Ontario Public Service on February 28, 1982 after 36 years of distinguished public service in the realm of social assistance administration. He served as chairman of this Board during the last nine years of his career and guided the Board into an era of more complex social legislation and increasing community involvement in the operation of public services.

To provide a better basis for year-to-year comparison in the future, the data reported for 1981-82 have all been limited strictly to the transactions which took place between April 1, 1981 and March 31, 1982 both dates inclusive. Previous reports had shown the disposition of appeals received within a fiscal year prior to the publication date of the report. This date was variable occurring usually in the second half of the calendar year and dictated to some degree by the scheduled dates for the debate on the Estimates of the Ministry of Community and Social Services. While the long term objective is comparability independent of the Estimates debate, the change in the reporting basis this year results in some discontinuity in the statistical series. To overcome this partially, the data for the year 1980-81 have been re-compiled and changed for this report. For the earlier years in the 10-year tables the old numbers have been retained and continue to provide an indication of the general trends.

For the second consecutive year 1981-82 saw a small reduction (2.3%) in the number of appeals received: 4,680 compared with 4,792 in 1980-81. The reduction from 1979-80 to 1980-81 was 2.8%.

The number of appeals heard in 1981-82 was down by 10% from those in the previous year and the number of hearing member/days decreased from 3356 in 1980-81 to 3226 in 1981-82 or by just under 4%. The cause of this decline is not known, but an increasing trend by or on behalf of appellants to request adjournment or re-scheduling of hearings has been a contributing factor.

Compliance with the statutory time limits for the issuing of notices of hearing (21 days from date of receipt of appeal) and the dates of notices of decision (40 days from date of Notice of Hearing) remained unsatisfactory. Only 67% of Notices of Hearing were issued within the specified period and 43% of the appellants received a Notice of Decision signed within 61 days of the receipt of the appeal

by the Board. The latter represents a 31% improvement over the position in 1980-81. Nearly 83% of the decisions were signed within 91 days of the date of receiving the appeal, a slight improvement over the previous year. This aspect of the administrative process is a matter of concern and steps have been initiated aimed at making further significant improvements. The Government's decision to enlarge the permissible membership of the Board by 20% to a maximum of 24 members is a major step in that direction.

The percentage distribution between the three main programs of cases heard has remained almost constant with Family Benefits (FBA) representing 70.5% (69.6% in 1980-81), General Welfare Assistance (GWA) 26.7% (27.5%) and Vocational Rehabilitation Services 2.8% (2.9%) respectively. There was again only one appeal under The Health Insurance Act in respect of co-payment.

Although fewer appeals were received and fewer cases heard in each of the three main programs, more appeals were granted and more were referred back for reconsideration although proportionately the shift is not significant in either category. It follows that numerically and on a percentage basis moderately fewer appeals were denied; i.e. 2882 or 78.4% in 1981-82 against 3314 or 83.4% in 1980-81. The number of appellants represented or supported by private lawyers, legal clinics or citizens groups at the hearings also declined from 322 to 277 or from 8.2% to 7.5% of the appeals heard.

There was also a reduction in the number of appeals opened before the Supreme Court of Ontario from 27 to 19. At the beginning of April 1981, 30 cases were pending before the Court. Of the 49 cases which theoretically could have come to trial during the year, 26 remained to be heard as at March 31, 1982. During the year 14 cases were withdrawn and of the remaining 9 cases seven were dismissed and two were allowed.

As the year closed the Social Assistance Review Board was actively investigating a number of administrative and procedural changes which will lead to improved efficiency without any deterioration of the high standards of integrity and impartiality previously achieved.

TABLE 1: NUMBER OF APPEALS

Cases brought forward from 1980-81		572*
Appeals received during the year		4680
Sub-Total		5252
Cases Closed Without a Hearing	966	
Appeals Heard	3678	4644
Cases Carried Forward Into 1982-83		608

*Adjusted From Previously Reported Data
"Cases Pending-4" to Reflect Revised Reporting Basis

TABLE 2: APPEALS HEARD CLASSIFIED BY PROGRAM AND ISSUE

	FBA		GWA		REHAB		CO-PAYMENT		ALL PROGRAMS	
Issue Appealed	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Assistance Refused	1775	68.5	620	63.2	90*	86.5	1	100.0	2486	67.6
Assistance Cancelled/Suspended	283	10.9	245	25.0	9	8.7	-	-	537	14.6
Amount Granted	484	18.7	98	10.0	5	4.8	-	-	587	16.0
Reduction of Amount	50	1.9	18	1.8	-	-	-	-	68	1.8
Program Totals	2592	100.0	981	100.0	104	100.0	1	100.0	3678	100.0
Percentage of "All Programs"	70.5		26.7		2.8		(less than 0.1%)		100.0	

*including 54 Learning Disability Cases

TABLE 3: S.A.R.B. DISPOSITION OF APPEALS HEARD CLASSIFIED BY PROGRAM

	FBA		GWA		REHAB		CO-PAYMENT		TOTAL	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Appeal Granted	481	18.5	82	8.4	36	34.6	-	-	599	16.3
Appeal Denied	1944	75.0	875	89.2	62	59.6	1	100.0	2882	78.4
Referred Back	147	5.7	18	1.8	5	4.8	-	-	170	4.6
No Jurisdiction	20	0.8	6	0.6	1	1.0	-	-	27	0.7
Total Heard	2592	100.0	981	100.0	104	100.0	1	100.0	3678	100.0

TABLE 4: APPEALS HEARD CLASSIFIED BY REASON FOR ADMINISTRATORS' DECISIONS AND DISPOSITION BY S.A.R.B.

PROGRAM & ADMINISTRATORS' REASONS	GRANTED		DENIED		REFERRED BACK		NO JURISDICTION		TOTAL HEARD	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
FBA										
Not Disabled although P.U.	28	4.7	203	7.1	7	4.1	1	3.7	239	6.5
Not P.U.	338	56.4	904	31.4	39	23.0	3	11.2	1284	34.9
Sponsor Responsible	1	0.2	54	1.9	3	1.8	1	3.7	59	1.6
Not Living as Single Person	16	2.7	119	4.1	4	2.4	1	3.7	140	3.8
Not Seeking Support	21	3.5	97	3.4	9	5.3	1	3.7	128	3.5
Income in Excess of Budget	7	1.2	100	3.5	4	2.3	1	3.7	112	3.1
Liquid Assets	5	0.8	47	1.6	8	4.7	1	3.7	61	1.7
Real Property	6	1.0	36	1.2	10	5.9	1	3.7	53	1.4
Child not in Care	7	1.2	34	1.2	2	1.2	-	-	43	1.2
Overpayment Recovery etc.	5	0.8	36	1.2	8	4.7	-	-	49	1.3
Adjusted for Income, etc.	16	2.7	193	6.7	33	19.4	4	14.8	246	6.7
Information not Provided	10	1.6	66	2.3	14	8.2	2	7.4	92	2.5
Other	21	3.5	55	1.9	6	3.5	4	14.8	86	2.3
FBA TOTALS	481	80.3	1944	67.5	147	86.5	20	74.1	2592	70.5

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TABLE 4: APPEALS HEARD CLASSIFIED BY REASON FOR ADMINISTRATORS' DECISIONS
Cont'd AND DISPOSITION BY S.A.R.B.

PROGRAM & ADMINISTRATORS' REASONS	GRANTED		DENIED		REFERRED BACK		NO JURISDICTION		TOTAL HEARD	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
GWA										
Sponsor Responsible	1	0.2	25	0.9	-	-	-	-	26	0.7
Not Living as Single Person	7	1.1	48	1.7	1	0.6	1	3.7	57	1.6
Not Seeking Support	-	-	6	0.2	-	-	-	-	6	0.2
Employment Issued	35	5.8	505	17.5	4	2.3	2	7.4	546	14.8
Income in Excess of Budget	5	0.8	66	2.3	1	0.6	1	3.7	73	2.0
Liquid Assets	1	0.2	22	0.8	-	-	-	-	23	0.6
Real Property	1	0.2	13	0.4	2	1.2	-	-	16	0.4
Child not in Care	-	-	6	0.2	-	-	-	-	6	0.2
Overpayment Recovery, etc.	1	0.2	16	0.5	2	1.2	-	-	19	0.5
Adjusted for Income, etc.	15	2.5	77	2.7	6	3.5	-	-	98	2.7
Has Access to Parental Home	6	1.0	37	1.3	-	-	-	-	43	1.2
Information not Provided	1	0.2	29	1.0	1	0.6	-	-	31	0.8
Other	9	1.5	25	0.9	1	0.6	2	7.4	37	1.0
GWA TOTALS	82	13.7	875	30.4	18	10.6	6	22.2	981	26.7

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TABLE 4: APPEALS HEARD CLASSIFIED BY REASON FOR ADMINISTRATORS' DECISIONS
Cont'd AND DISPOSITION BY S.A.R.B.

PROGRAM & ADMINISTRATORS' REASONS	GRANTED		DENIED		REFERRED BACK		NO JURISDICTION		TOTAL HEARD	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Voc. Rehabilitation										
Learning Disability:										
Not Disabled	7	1.2	13	0.5	-	-	-	-	20	0.5
Facility Available	14	2.3	12	0.4	1	0.6	-	-	27	0.7
No Progress	3	0.5	10	0.3	1	0.6	-	-	14	0.4
Amount of Assistance	1	0.2	1	*	1	0.6	-	-	3	0.1
Total Learning Dis. Cases	25	4.2	36	1.2	3	1.8	-	-	64	1.7
Total Other Rehab. Cases	11	1.8	26	0.9	2	1.1	1	3.7	40	1.1
All Voc. Rehab. Totals	36	6.0	62	2.1	5	2.9	1	3.7	104	2.8
Co-Payment Total	-	-	1	*	-	-	-	-	1	*
All Programs	599	100.0	2882	100.0	170	100.0	27	100.0	3678	100.0

* less than 0.1

TABLE 5: TYPE OF REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF APPELLANT

	# Cases	%
Appellant Alone	1313	35.7
Friend or Family	978	26.6
Hearing held in Absentia	689	18.7
Other	322	8.8
Private Lawyer	158	4.3
Legal Clinic	89	2.4
Interpreter (usually friend or family)	52	1.4
Member of Provincial Parliament	47	1.3
Citizen's Group	30	0.8
Total Heard	3678	100%

TABLE 6: DISTRIBUTION BY SEX

	FBA		GWA		REHAB		CO-PAYMENT		ALL PROGRAMS	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Male	1249	48.2	709	72.3	80	76.9	1	100.0	2038	55.4
Female	1343	51.8	272	27.7	24	23.1	-	-	1640	44.6
Total	2592	100.0	981	100.0	104	100.0	1	100.0	3678	100.0

TABLE 7: DISTRIBUTION BY FAMILY STATUS

	FBA		GWA		REHAB		CO-PAYMENT		ALL PROGRAMS	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Single	1264	48.8	536	54.6	92	88.5	1	100.0	1892	51.4
Married	644	24.9	307	31.3	7	6.7	-	-	958	26.1
Widowed	294	11.3	31	3.2	1	1.0	-	-	327	8.9
Divorced	369	14.2	74	7.5	2	1.9	-	-	445	12.1
Status not known	21	0.8	33	3.4	2	1.9	-	-	56	1.5
Total	2592	100.0	981	100.0	104	100.0	1	100.0	3678	100.0

TABLE 8: DISTRIBUTION OF APPELLANTS BY AGE GROUP

	FBA		GWA		REHAB		CO-PAYMENT		ALL PROGRAMS	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Under 20	105	4.1	152	15.5	66	63.5	1	100.0	323	8.8
20-29	327	12.6	334	34.1	22	21.1	-	-	683	18.6
30-49	964	37.2	300	30.6	11	10.6	-	-	1275	34.7
50-69	1132	43.7	131	13.3	3	2.9	-	-	1267	34.4
70 and over	42	1.6	14	1.4	-	-	-	-	56	1.5
Age not stated	22	0.8	50	5.1	2	1.9	-	-	74	2.0
Total	2592	100.0	981	100.0	104	100.0	1	100.0	3678	100.0

TABLE 9: GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION OF APPELLANTS

	1981-1982		1980-1981	
	Appeals Heard	Percent	Appeals Heard	Percent
MAJOR CITIES Population 100,000 AND OVER*				
Brampton	8	0.2	18	0.4
Burlington	26	0.7	37	0.9
Hamilton	145	3.9	153	3.9
Kitchener	32	0.9	31	0.8
London	115	3.1	126	3.2
Metro Toronto	830	22.6	969	24.4
Mississauga	32	0.9	37	0.9
Oshawa	25	0.7	21	0.5
Ottawa	119	3.2	119	3.0
St. Catharines	75	2.0	55	1.4
Thunder Bay	37	1.0	47	1.2
Windsor	142	3.9	228	5.7
Total Major Cities	1586	43.1	1841	46.3
TOTAL OTHER COMMUNITIES#	2092	56.9	2132	53.7
Total Appeals Heard	3678	100.0	3973	100.0

*Source: Ontario Municipal Directory 1982

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Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Acton	9	Bailieboro	1
Ailsa Craig	1	Bainsville	2
Ajax	1	Baltimore	1
Alexandria	8	Bancroft	7
Alliston	2	Barrie	11
Almonte	1	Barry's Bay	6
Amherstburg	1	Bath	3
Amherstview	1	Beachville	1
Angus	3	Beamsville	2
Apsley	3	Beeton	1
Arden	2	Belleville	31
Arnprior	10	Belle Ewart	1
Arthur	2	Belmont	1
Ashton	4	Berkeley	1
Athens	2	Berwick	1
Atikokan	5	Bewdley	1
Atwood	1	Blackstone	1
Aurora	3	Blenheim	4
Aylmer	4	Blind River	1
Azilda	5	Bobcaygeon	3

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Bothwell	2	Cannington	2
Bowmanville	3	Capreol	1
Bracebridge	3	Cardinal	3
Bradford	1	Cargill	1
Braeside	1	Carlisle	1
Brantford	42	Carrying Place	1
Brechin	2	Cartier	3
Bridgenorth	1	Casselman	2
Bright	2	Cavan	2
Brighton	5	Cayuga	2
Brinston	2	Centreville	1
Britt	3	Chalk River	4
Brockville	19	Chapleau	3
Brownsville	1	Chatsworth	1
Burford	2	Chatham	39
Burks Falls	3	Chelmsford	5
Burnstown	1	Chesley	2
Byng Inlet	2	Chesterville	2
Cache Bay	2	Chute-A-Blondeau	1
Calabogie	1	Clarksburg	2
Caledonia	2	Clinton	5
Callander	1	Cloyne	1
Cambridge	24	Cobalt	1
Cameron	2	Cobourg	13
Camlachie	1	Cochrane	16
Campbellcroft	2	Coe Hill	1
Campbellford	6	Colborne	5
Campbellville	1	Coldwater	5

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Collins Bay	1	Dunsford	1
Collingwood	12	Dunvegan	1
Comber	1	Durham	2
Combermere	1	Eagle Lake	1
Cookstown	1	Earlton	1
Copper Cliff	6	Eganville	13
Corbeil	3	Eldorado	3
Cornwall	52	Elk Lake	1
Crediton	1	Elora	1
Crofton	1	Embro	1
Crystal Beach	5	Embrun	2
Curran	1	Englehart	1
Dalkeith	1	Ennismore	1
Deep River	2	Enterprise	1
Delhi	2	Erin	1
Delta	1	Erinsville	2
Denbigh	3	Espanola	10
Denfield	1	Essex	1
Deseronto	4	Ethel	1
Douglas	1	Exeter	4
Dorchester	1	Fauquier	2
Dresden	3	Fenelon Falls	4
Drumbo	1	Fergus	1
Dryden	1	Field	3
Duart	1	Flesherton	1
Dublin	1	Flinton	1
Dundas	3	Foresters Falls	1
Dunnville	7	Formosa	1

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Fort Erie	9	Hagar	2
Fournier	4	Hagersville	7
Foxboro	1	Haileybury	1
Foymount	1	Haliburton	7
Frankford	1	Halton Hills	1
Galt	1	Hammond	1
Gananoque	3	Hanmer	3
Garson	1	Hanover	3
Geraldton	1	Harriston	3
Georgetown	3	Harrow	6
Glanworth	1	Harrowsmith	1
Glenburnie	1	Hastings	2
Glencairn	1	Havelock	10
Glencoe	2	Hawkesbury	13
Glen Robertson	2	Hay	1
Goderich	13	Hearst	8
Godfrey	1	Hensall	3
Golden Lake	5	Hickson	1
Gooderham	2	Highland Grove	2
Gormley	1	Holland Centre	1
Gowganda	1	Holstein	1
Grande Pointe	1	Holtyre	1
Grand Valley	1	Holyrood	2
Granton	2	Huntsville	3
Gravenhurst	8	Hurkett	1
Green Valley	3	Huron Park	3
Grimsby	7	Ignace	2
Guelph	24	Ingersoll	3

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Iroquois	2	Leamington	4
Iroquois Falls	9	Lefaivre	1
Island Grove	1	Limoges	1
Jacksons Point	3	Lindsay	21
Jarvis	1	Linwood	1
Jordan Station	1	Lisle	2
Kakabeka	1	Listowel	5
Kaladar	2	Little Britain	2
Kapuskasing	11	Little Current	6
Kemptville	1	Lively	2
Kenora	1	Longlac	2
Keswick	3	Long Sault	1
Killaloe	4	Loretto	2
Kilworthy	3	L'Orignal	2
Kiosk	1	Lucknow	1
Kincardine	1	Lunenberg	1
King City	1	Lyndhurst	1
Kingston	63	Macdiarmid	1
Kingsville	6	Mactier	2
Kirkfield	3	Madoc	3
Kirkland Lake	15	Magnetawan	1
Lakefield	6	Mallorytown	1
Lambeth	1	Manotick	1
Lanark	2	Manitowaning	4
Lancaster	3	Maple Leaf	1
Langton	4	Marathon	1
Larder Lake	4	Markdale	1
Lasalle	1	Markham	2
Latchford	1	Markstay	1

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Marlbank	1	Morrisburg	5
Marmora	1	Mountain	2
Martintown	2	Mount Albert	1
Marysville	1	Mount Forest	1
Mattawa	6	Mount Hope	1
Mattice	4	Napanee	17
Maxville	2	Naughton	1
Maynooth	1	Nepean	7
McGregor	2	Newburgh	1
McKerrow	1	New Hamburg	2
Meaford	6	Newington	2
Melbourne	2	New Liskeard	5
Merrickville	4	New Lowell	1
Midland	5	Newmarket	15
Mildmay	1	Neustadt	1
Milford	1	Niagara Falls	35
Millbrook	2	Nipigon	1
Milliken	2	Nipissing	1
Milton	5	Noelville	3
Milverton	1	Nolalu	2
Minesing	2	Norland	1
Minden	2	North Augusta	1
Mindemoya	1	North Bay	28
Missanabie	1	Northbrook	1
Mitchell	2	North Lancaster	1
Mobert	1	Norwood	1
Monetville	1	Novar	1
Monkton	1	Oakland	1
Moonbeam	2	Oak Ridges	1

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Oakville	18	Plattsville	1
Oakwood	1	Point Edward	2
Ohsweken	2	Port Colborne	15
Omemee	4	Port Dover	9
Orangeville	7	Port Hope	6
Orillia	16	Port McNicoll	7
Orton	1	Port Perry	3
Owen Sound	18	Port Rowan	1
Paincourt	1	Port Stanley	1
Palermo	1	Port Sydney	2
Palmer Rapids	3	Prescott	6
Palmerston	1	Ramore	2
Parham	3	Reaboro	3
Paris	3	Red Lake	1
Parkhill	3	Renfrew	11
Parry Sound	4	Riceville	1
Pefferlaw	1	Richmond	1
Pembroke	20	Richmond Hill	5
Penetanguishene	9	Ridgetown	1
Perth	4	Ridgeway	1
Perth Road	1	Ripley	1
Petawawa	3	River Valley	1
Peterborough	48	Roblin	2
Petrolia	1	Rockland	5
Pickering	5	Rockwood	1
Picton	11	Rodney	6
Plainfield	1	Rosemont	1
Plantagenet	3	Roseneath	2

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Rossport	1	South Mountain	1
Rostock	1	South River	3
Round Lake Centre	3	Spanish	2
Russell	1	Spencerville	4
Rutherglen	2	Springfield	1
St. Albert	4	Sprucedale	2
St. Andrews West	2	Stayner	3
St. Bernardin	3	Streetsville	1
St. Charles	4	Sterling	2
St. Isidore	1	Stevensville	1
St. Marys	3	Stittsville	1
St. Thomas	28	Stoney Creek	5
Sault Ste. Marie	28	Stouffville	7
Sarnia	38	Stratford	21
Schumacher	3	Stratfordville	1
Scotland	2	Strathroy	2
Seaforth	2	Stroud	1
Sebright	2	Sturgeon Falls	15
Sebringville	1	Sudbury	95
Shannonville	2	Summerstown	2
Shakespeare	1	Sundridge	1
Sharon	2	Sutton	3
Shedden	1	Sutton West	4
Shelbourne	3	Tara	1
Simcoe	8	Tecumseh	1
Smiths Falls	11	Teeswater	2
Smooth Rock Falls	3	Terrace Bay	1
Southampton	1	Thamesville	1

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Thorne	1	Wallaceburg	3
Thornhill	6	Wallacetown	2
Thorold	9	Wardsville	1
Tillsonburg	4	Warmington	1
Timmins	35	Warren	6
Tiverton	2	Warsaw	2
Toledo	1	Wasaga Beach	1
Torrance	1	Waterford	3
Trenton	11	Waterloo	5
Tweed	2	Waubaushene	4
Union	1	Wawa	2
Utterson	1	Webbwood	1
Uxbridge	4	Welland	48
Val Caron	1	Wellandport	3
Val Gagne	1	Wendover	1
Val Rita	2	West Lorne	1
Vanier	12	Westmeath	2
Vankleek Hill	7	Westport	1
Vermilion Bay	2	Wheatley	2
Verner	6	Whitby	1
Vickers Heights	1	Wiarton	1
Victoria Harbour	3	Winona	1
Vienna	1	Williamsford	1
Villeneuve	1	Willow Beach	1
Virgil	1	Winchester	2
Wainfleet	1	Wingham	2
Walkerton	2	Wilsonville	1

Community	Appeals	Community	Appeals
Woodbridge	2		
Woodstock	16		
Worthington	1		
Wyebridge	1		
Yarker	1		
York	1		
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TABLE 10: NUMBER OF APPEALS RECEIVED AND HEARINGS HELD DURING THE TEN-YEAR PERIOD 1972-73 - 1981-82

FISCAL YEAR	NUMBER OF APPEALS RECEIVED	NUMBER CLOSED WITHOUT HEARING	NUMBER OF HEARINGS	APPEALS PENDING AT YEARS END	PERCENT HEARD
1972-73	2,011	220	1,791	COMPARABLE DATA NOT AVAILABLE	89.1
1973-74	1,478	175	1,303		88.2
1974-75	2,081	313	1,768		85.0
1975-76	2,424	386	2,038		84.1
1976-77	3,644	695	2,949		80.9
1977-78	4,022	823	3,199		79.5
1978-79	4,471	907	3,551		79.4
1979-80	4,929	944	3,815*		77.4*
1980-81	4,792	906	4,098*	572*	85.5*
1981-82	4,680	966	3,678	608	78.6

* Changed from previously published data to reflect revised reporting basis

Earlier data (unchanged) now provides trend indicators only

TABLE 11: PERCENTAGE INCREASE (DECREASE) OF APPLICATIONS AND HEARINGS DURING THE TEN-YEAR PERIOD 1972-73 - 1981-82

	APPLICATIONS FOR HEARINGS		CASES HEARD	
FISCAL YEAR	NUMBER	PERCENT INCREASE (DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR	NUMBER	PERCENT INCREASE (DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR
1972-73	2,011	21.6	1,791	34.8
1973-74	1,478	(26.5)	1,303	(27.2)
1974-75	2,081	40.8	1,768	35.7
1975-76	2,424	16.5	2,038	15.3
1976-77	3,644	50.3	2,949	44.7
1977-78	4,022	10.4	3,199	8.5
1978-79	4,471	11.2	3,551	11.0
1979-80	4,929	10.2	3815*	N/A
1980-81	4,792	(2.8)	4098*	2.4*
1981-82	4,680	(2.3)	3678	(10.2)

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TABLE 12: PERCENTAGE OF APPEALS GRANTED AND DENIED DURING THE TEN-YEAR PERIOD 1972-73 - 1981-82

FISCAL YEAR	TOTAL	APPEALS GRANTED	APPEALS DENIED	REFERRED BACK	NO JURISD.
1972-73	100%	29.0	71.0	-	-
1973-74	100%	34.0	66.0	-	-
1974-75	100%	17.1	72.8	10.1	-
1975-76	100%	15.9	76.9	6.6	0.6
1976-77	100%	16.0	80.0	4.0	-
1977-78	100%	17.5	79.9	2.5	0.1
1978-79	100%	19.2	79.0	1.7	0.1
1979-80	100%	13.9	82.5	2.9	0.7
1980-81	100%	12.5	83.4	3.1	1.0
1981-82	100%	16.3	78.4	4.6	0.7

TABLE 13: PERCENTAGE OF APPEALS HEARD BY PROGRAM DURING THE TEN-YEAR PERIOD 1972-73 - 1981-82

FISCAL YEAR	TOTAL	FBA	GWA	REHAB.	GAINS	CO-PAYMENT
1972-73	100%	60.0	39.2	0.8	-	-
1973-74	100%	65.8	33.8	0.4	-	-
1974-75	100%	70.4	28.0	1.0	0.6	-
1975-76	100%	54.3	41.2	4.3	0.2	-
1976-77	100%	61.7	35.4	2.7	0.2	-
1977-78	100%	67.4	30.0	2.5	0.1	-
1978-79	100%	68.3	29.5	2.2	*	-
1979-80	100%	68.6	29.0	1.9	*	0.5
1980-81	100%	69.6	27.5	2.9	-	*
1981-82	100%	70.5	26.7	2.8	-	*

* Less than 0.1%

TABLE 14: APPEALS TO THE DIVISIONAL COURT OF THE SUPREME COURT OF ONTARIO DURING THE TEN-YEAR PERIOD 1972-73 - 1981-82

FISCAL YEAR	APPEALS OPENED	APPEALS HEARD	APPEALS WITHDRAWN	TOTAL CLOSED	NUMBER PENDING
1972-73	6	3	3	6	-
1973-74	5	2	1	3	2
1974-75	4	3	1	4	2
1975-76	3	2	-	2	3
1976-77	17	4	1	5	15
1977-78	14	5	9	14	15
1978-79	12	6	8	14	13
1979-80	17	6	10	16	14
1980-81	27	7	4	11	30
1981-82	19	9	14	23	26